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SUBJECT: NOUIRA VISIT: JOINT COMMISSION

REF: STATE 77757

1. WE ARE BEGINNING GET CLOSE TO WIRE ON FORTHCOMING NOUIRA VISIT, BUT NEITHER WE NOR TUNISIANS HAVE ANY CLEAR IDEA OF HOW QUESTION OF JOING COMMISSION IS GOING TO BE HANDLED DURING COURSE OF VISIT. WE HAVE, HOWEVER, AMPLE INDICATION THAT GOT IS DOING CONSIDERABLE PREPARATORY WORK IN ANTICIPATION OF A JOINT COMMISSION MEETING OF SOME KIND BASED UPON AMB HEDDA'S REPORTING FROM WASHINGTON.

2. IN FAIRNESS TO TUNISIANS, WE DO NOT BELIEVE WE SHOULD WAIT MUCH LONGER BEFORE CONVEYING TO THEM OUR CONCEPTION OF HOW MATTER WILL BE TREATED. MOREOVER, THE LONGER WE WAIT, THE HARDER IT MAY BE FOR US TO DISCOURAGE TUNISIANS FROM INITIATIVES OF THEIR OWN WITH WHICH WE MAY NOT AGREE, OR FROM LOADING AGENDA WITH TOPICS WE WOULD PREFER NOT TO DISCUSS OR AT LEAST NOT TO DISCUSS IN DEPTH.

3. WE, THEREFORE, URGE THAT WE BE GIVEN NECESSARY GUIDANCE SO THAT WE MAY DISCUSS SUBJECT WITH SOME AUTHORITY WITH TUNISIANS ASAP AND REPORT TUNISIAN

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REACTION TO DEPT. IF THERE ARE DIFFERENCES OF OPINION,

BETWEEN US AND TUNISIANS, WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD IDENTIFY
THEM WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY.
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